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PERU GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT SUPPORT ACTIVITY

Improving the legal and regulatory framework for public procurement

Sound public procurement is critical for governing efficiently, improving services, and earning citizen trust. Half of government spending in Peru is procurement—the purchase of goods, services, and infrastructure for society’s benefit. This project helps realize a shared commitment to preventing waste, fraud, and corruption in public expenditures. The project transfers international technical expertise to the Government of Peru (GOP) to help establish more transparent and competitive procurement processes.

HOW DOES THE ACTIVITY WORK?

This USAID-funded project coordinates direct government-to-government technical assistance drawing upon the U.S. Department of Commerce’s highly experienced attorneys, advisors, and its network of U.S. and international experts. The Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) leads this activity in coordination with USAID, State Department, and Government of Peru stakeholders.

These attorneys and experts provide procurement training and technical assistance to Peru’s Ministry of Economy and Finance, its General Directorate for Logistics and Supply (DGA), specialized sub-agencies of the Public Procurement Center (Perú Compras), the State Procurement Oversight Body (OSCE), the Ministry of Transportation and Communications (MTC), and the Authority for Reconstruction with Changes (ARCC), as well as other agencies identified by the GOP who can benefit from procurement assistance. This process will also incorporate feedback and technical sessions with private sector stakeholders as needed. The focus of the project is to improve the Peruvian procurement lifecycle and

implementation by building capacities of key GOP entities to manage large-scale public works contracting such as roads, utilities, and other infrastructure. Open and competitive tenders for these contracts are essential to improving public services, addressing poverty, and strengthening the social contract between citizens and the state.

WHAT TYPES OF SERVICES WILL BE OFFERED?

This project provides tailored technical assistance to improve the GOP procurement system, in three areas of intervention: legal frameworks, management capacity, and the professionalization of procurement staff.

Support may include:

- Reviewing legislation, regulations, and procedures to ensure compliance with international standards
- Training and mentoring acquisition officials
- Guiding re-organization of procurement entities to incorporate project management principles and multi-disciplinary teams
- Advancing professionalization, certification, and credentialing of the procurement workforce
- Enhancing related curricula at local law and business schools
- Consolidating and expanding the use of e-procurement platforms
- Promoting consistency and coordinated purchasing across government entities

PROJECT INFORMATION

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